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DETAILED ACTION

1. The Acknowledgment of the Reply Brief issued August 20, 2008 is hereby vacated.

2. The reply brief filed June 4, 2008 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

Conclusion

- 3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DANIEL L. GREENE whose telephone number is (571)272-6876. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thur.
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